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October 18, 2016

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

**Dear Supervisors:** 

**ADOPTED** 

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

39 October 18, 2016

LORI GLASGOW EXECUTIVE OFFICER

CHANGES IN WORK FOR A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT
SANTA ANITA WASH- SANTA ANITA SPREADING
GROUNDS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT
IN THE CITY OF ARCADIA
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5)
(3 VOTES)

#### **SUBJECT**

This action is to approve changes in work and the increased contract amount for a construction contract for Santa Anita Wash – Santa Anita Spreading Grounds Improvement Project in the City of Arcadia.

# IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT:

- 1. Find that the requested changes in work related to enlargement and reconfiguration of water spreading basins; construction of reinforced concrete pipe and interbasin drainage structures; removal and abandonment of existing reinforced concrete pipe and drainage structures; and furnishing and placing rock riprap, drainage gates, and electrical work, with an increase in the construction contract amount of \$290,000, will have no significant effect on the environment.
- 2. Approve the changes and increased contract amount of \$290,000 for removal of boulders and importing fill for Project ID No. FCC0000708 Santa Anita Wash Santa Anita Spreading Grounds Improvement Project, in the City of Arcadia, performed by C.W. Crosser Construction, Inc.

#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

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The purpose of the recommended action is to obtain approval from the Board, acting as the governing body of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District for the changes in this construction contract in support of the timely completion of the project while avoiding delays and the potential for claims.

Enclosed for the Board's approval is a description of the changes in work and the cost which is in excess of the Director of Public Works' delegated authority limit required to complete the project.

#### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 1) and Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3). Approval of these changes will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public and enhance the quality of life in the affected city.

#### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

These changes in work will have no impact to the County General Fund.

Project ID No. FCC0000708, with an increase in the construction contract amount of \$290,000, is included in the Fiscal Year 2016-17 Flood Control District Fund Budget.

If these changes in work are not approved, contract completion will be delayed and increased costs incurred.

### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The contract for the construction of this improvement was awarded on March 3, 2016, to a contractor with the lowest responsive bid in accordance with the State Public Contract Code and the Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director or her designee.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

These changes in work as described above and in the enclosure do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

#### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

The contract provides that the contractor be compensated for the work resulting from changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The cost is based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The method for arriving at the cost of these changes is included in the enclosure.

#### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Approval of the requested changes by the Board will ensure the timely completion of work under the contract and result in complete and usable facilities.

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## **CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

**GAIL FARBER** 

Director

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**Enclosures** 

c: Chief Executive Office (Rochelle Goff)
County Counsel
Executive Office
Internal Services Department (Countywide Contract Compliance)

# CHANGES IN WORK (APPROVE) October 18, 2016

<u>PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000708 – Santa Anita Wash – Santa Anita Spreading Grounds Improvement Project</u> (in the City of Arcadia), Supervisorial District 5. Contractor: C.W. Crosser Construction, Inc.

#### Project Description:

Enlargement and reconfiguration of water spreading basins; construction of reinforced concrete pipe and interbasin drainage structures; removal and abandonment of existing reinforced concrete pipe and drainage structures; and furnishing and placing rock riprap, drainage gates, and electrical work; and the performance of other appurtenant work.

## Changes in Work:

 (1) Remove boulders
 \$250,000.00

 (2) Importing fill
 \_40,000.00

Total \$290,000.00

## **Description of Changes:**

- (1) The project included an allowance bid item to remove and relocate boulders from the basins. The contractor encountered larger sized and a greater number of boulders than originally anticipated and allowed for in the contract. A portion of the change in work was previously approved under delegated authority in the amount of \$120,000. In order to complete the work, an additional \$250,000 is needed. This exceeds the Director's delegated authority limit and requires the Board's approval.
- (2) Due to the large size and quantity of the boulders, there is insufficient dirt in the basins to use as fill as required by the project plans. Therefore, it is necessary to import fill from another source. A portion of the change in work was previously approved under delegated authority in the amount of \$120,000. In order to complete the work, an additional \$40,000 is needed. This exceeds the Director's delegated authority limit of \$123,572.75 per change and requires the Board's approval.

These two changes result in a total of \$290,000 that exceeds the Director's delegated authority limit and requires the Board's approval.

The costs for this work are based on Section 3 of the contract specifications.

Fifty-five additional working days will be required because of these changes.

## **Financial Information:**

The project was awarded Proposition 1E Grant funds. Fifty percent of the construction cost of this project is reimbursable through Proposition 1E. The remaining project cost is funded by the Flood Control District and contributions from the City of Arcadia and Sierra Madre and the Raymond Basin Management Board.

Funding for this project is included in the Fiscal Year 2016-17 Flood Control District Fund Budget.

## **Revised Contract Amount:**

Original contract amount	\$2,221,455.00
Changes in work approved by delegated authority Change in work to be approved	307,200.00 290,000.00
Revised contract amount	\$ <u>2,818,655.00</u>
Percent total change to original contract amount	27%

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